

Provisional Vital Statistics for July 2015

Live Births increased in July as 6,740 Missouri babies were born compared with 6,582 born one year earlier. However, cumulative births for the 7- and 12-month periods ending with July both decreased slightly. For January-July, births decreased from 43,325 to 43,262.

Deaths increased in July as 4,720 Missourians died compared with 4,626 in July, 2014. Deaths also increased for the cumulative 7- and 12-month periods ending with July. For January-July, there were 35,447 Missouri resident deaths or 7.3 percent more than the 33,038 for the similar time period in 2014.

The **Natural Increase** in July for Missourians was 2,020 (6,740 births minus 4,720 deaths). The natural increase declined for both the 7- and 12-month periods ending with July. For the 12 months ending with July, the natural increase declined by 26.2 percent from 19,189 to 14,165.

Marriages increased in July and for the 12-period ending with July. However, for January-July, marriages decreased by 3.3 percent from 22,254 to 21,511.

Dissolutions of Marriage increased slightly in July, but decreased for the cumulative 7- and 12-month periods ending with July. For January-July, dissolutions decreased from 11,624 to 11,374. For the 12 months ending with July, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 2.00 to 2.04.

Infant Deaths decreased in July as 36 Missouri infants died compared with 50 in July of 2014. For the 12 months ending with July, the infant death rate was 5.9 per 1,000 live births compared with 6.2 one year earlier.

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<u>Item</u>	<u>July</u>				<u>Jan-July Cumulative</u>				<u>12 months ending with July</u>				
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Live Births	6,582	6,740	12.8	13.0	43,325	43,262	12.3	12.2	75,556	75,041	12.4	12.5	12.4
Deaths	4,626	4,720	9.0	9.1	33,038	35,447	9.4	10.0	56,367	60,876	9.5	9.3	10.0
Natural increase	1,956	2,020	3.8	3.9	10,287	7,815	2.9	2.2	19,189	14,165	3.0	3.2	2.3
Marriages	3,562	3,713	6.9	7.2	22,254	21,511	6.3	6.1	39,880	40,036	6.5	6.6	6.6
Dissolutions	1,721	1,728	3.3	3.3	11,624	11,374	3.3	3.2	19,914	19,627	3.6	3.3	3.2
Infant deaths	50	35	7.6	5.2	267	252	6.2	5.8	469	441	6.5	6.2	5.9
Population base (in thousands)			6,064	6,082			6,064	6,082			6,035	6,055	6,075

* Rates for live births, deaths, natural increase, marriages and dissolutions are computed on the number per 1,000 estimated population. The infant death rate is based on the number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births. Beginning with provisional July 2006 data numbers and rates are based on month of event rather than month of report. This will result in a delay in reporting, but will more accurately reflect current trends.

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